

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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JOINT PATROLLING WITH INDONESIA
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian and Indonesian Navies have started coordinated patrolling along international maritime boundary line to check poaching, smuggling and other illegal activities in the Indian Ocean;
- (b) if so, the time by which this exercise was started; and
- (c) the other details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): The first cycle of coordinated patrol by Indian and Indonesia Navies took place from 2nd September, 2002 to 30th September, 2002. In future, the joint patrolling will be undertaken depending upon the need and mutual convenience.